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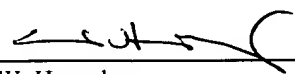
RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Examiner's Office Action mailed
October 23, 2002, Applicant has the following remarks.

The Examiner's Action notes that the independent
claims, and therefore all claims, distinguish the primary
reference, McNutt et al., for the reason that the claims are
"directed toward a change in the overall total memory of a cache
in a physical sense, rather than a dynamic sense". The specific
claim language that deals with this distinction is "responding to
a change in said total available cache memory capacity by
altering said cache directory".

The Examiner proceeds from this assessment of the
claims and McNutt, to formulate a rejection based upon McNutt
combined with Johnson. Johnson is relied upon for showing a

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